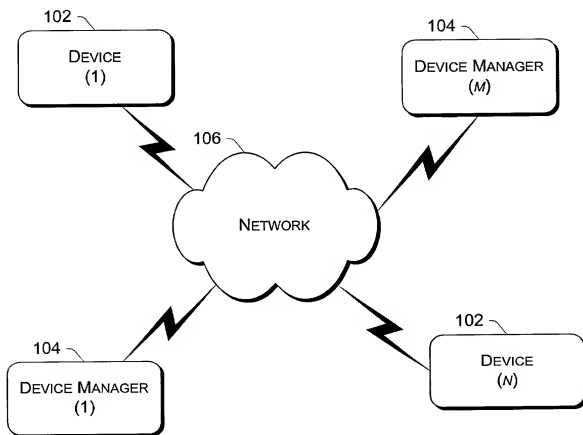


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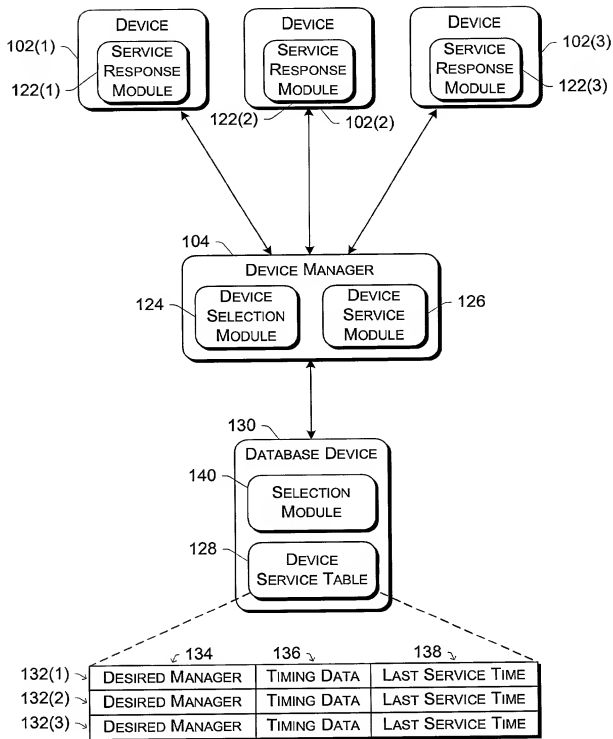
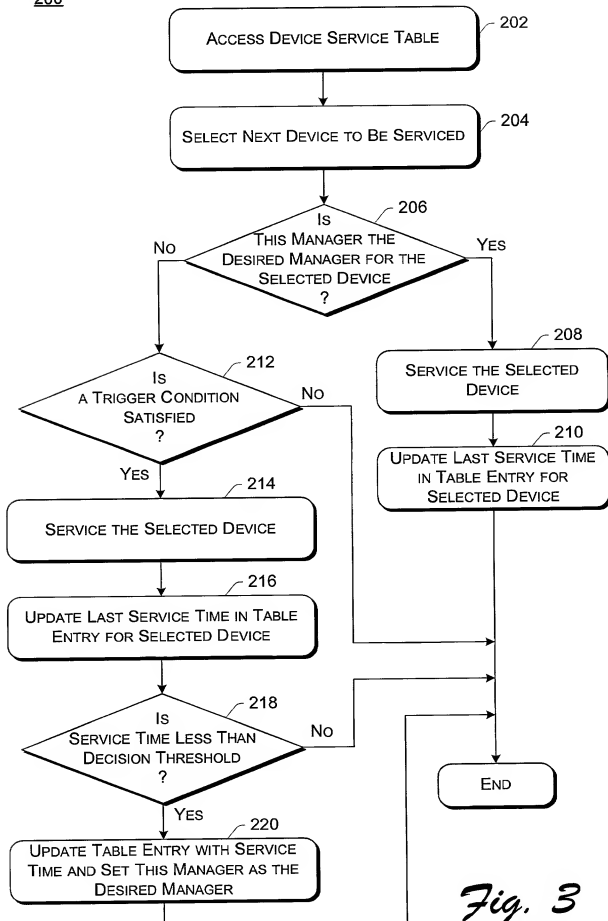


Fig. 2

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RECEIVE REQUEST FROM DEVICE MANAGER FOR LIST OF  
DEVICE(S) IT IS TO SERVICE

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IDENTIFY EACH DEVICE FOR WHICH THE REQUESTING  
DEVICE MANAGER IS THE DESIRED MANAGER AND FOR  
WHICH SERVICE IS DUE

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ADD EACH SUCH IDENTIFIED DEVICE TO THE LIST OF  
DEVICE(S)

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FOR EACH DEVICE FOR WHICH THE REQUESTING DEVICE  
MANAGER IS NOT THE DESIRED MANAGER AND FOR  
WHICH SERVICE IS DUE, CHECK WHETHER THE TRIGGER  
CONDITION IS SATISFIED FOR THE DEVICE

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ADD, TO THE LIST OF DEVICE(S), EACH DEVICE FOR  
WHICH THERE IS A RANDOM TRIGGER

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SEND LIST OF DEVICE(S) TO REQUESTING DEVICE  
MANAGER

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RECEIVE SERVICE TIMING RESULTS FROM REQUESTING  
DEVICE MANAGER

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FOR EACH DEVICE SERVICED BY THE REQUESTING  
DEVICE MANAGER FOR WHICH IT IS NOT THE DESIRED  
MANAGER, CHECK WHETHER THE SERVICE TIME FOR  
THE DEVICE IS LESS THAN A DECISION THRESHOLD

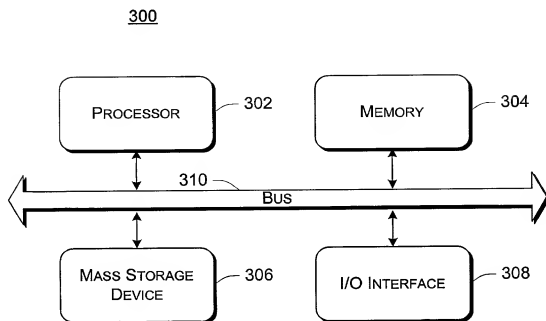
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FOR EACH SUCH DEVICE WHERE THE SERVICE TIME  
FOR THE DEVICE IS LESS THAN THE DECISION  
THRESHOLD, MAKE THE REQUESTING DEVICE MANAGER  
THE DESIRED MANAGER FOR SERVICING THE DEVICE

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*Fig. 4*

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*Fig. 5*